



**NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
**AMENDMENT**  
House Bill 15

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
(to be filled in by  
Principal Clerk)

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Amends Title [YES]  
H15-PCS10459-TC-65

Date \_\_\_\_\_, 2015

Representative Blackwell

1 moves to amend the bill on page 1, lines 2-6 by rewriting the lines to read:

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3 " AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION TO USE  
4 FUNDS TO ENTER INTO A STATEWIDE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING  
5 AGREEMENT FOR OFFICE PRODUCTIVITY SOFTWARE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS;  
6 TO AMEND THE PROCESS FOR TUITION ENDORSEMENTS AND  
7 REIMBURSEMENTS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES;  
8 AND TO EXEMPT STUDENTS AT THE SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND  
9 MATHEMATICS FROM PAYING FEES FOR ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS.";

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11 And on page 2, lines 40-41 by inserting the following between those lines:

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13 "SECTION 2.5. Article 29 of Chapter 116 of the General Statutes is amended by  
14 adding a new section to read:

15 "**§ 116-235.5. Advanced courses.**

16 (a) Students enrolled in the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics or in  
17 high school courses at the North Carolina School of the Arts shall have access to and shall be  
18 encouraged to enroll in and successfully complete more rigorous advanced courses to enable  
19 success in postsecondary education. For the purposes of this section, an advanced course is an  
20 Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme course.

21 (b) To attain this goal, to the extent funds are made available for this purpose, students  
22 shall be exempt from paying any fees for administration of examinations for advanced courses  
23 and registration fees for advanced courses in which the student is enrolled regardless of the  
24 score the student achieves on an examination.

25 (c) If funds are appropriated for advanced courses, the State Board of Education shall  
26 reimburse The University of North Carolina for fees for advanced courses for students enrolled  
27 in the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics or in high school courses at the North  
28 Carolina School of the Arts as provided in subsection (b) of this section."

29 **SECTION 2.6.** G.S. 116-69 reads as rewritten:

30 "**§ 116-69. Purpose of school program.**

31 The primary purpose of the school shall be the professional training, as distinguished from  
32 liberal arts instruction, of talented students in the fields of music, drama, the dance, and allied



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1 performing arts, at both the high school and college levels of instruction, with emphasis placed  
2 upon performance of the arts, and not upon academic studies of the arts. The said school may  
3 also offer high school and college instruction in academic subjects, including advanced courses  
4 as provided in G.S. 116-235.5, and such other programs as are deemed necessary to meet the  
5 needs of its students and of the State, consistent with appropriations made and gifts received  
6 therefor, and may cooperate, if it chooses, with other schools which provide such courses of  
7 instruction. The school, on occasion, may accept elementary grade students of rare talent, and  
8 shall arrange for such students, in cooperation with an elementary school, a suitable educational  
9 program."".

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_  
Amendment Sponsor

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair if Senate Committee Amendment

ADOPTED \_\_\_\_\_ FAILED \_\_\_\_\_ TABLED \_\_\_\_\_